

I claim:

1. A bracket for securing a mailbox to an upstanding post, the bracket comprising:

a laminar plate generally coextensive with a lower surface of the mailbox;

means for securing the mailbox to the plate;

5 a generally cylindrical sleeve secured to the plate and extending downwardly

therefrom, the sleeve adapted to receive a generally cylindrical post; and

means for securing the post within the sleeve.

2. The bracket according to claim 1 wherein the laminar plate is rectangular and has a

10 pair of long edges.

3. The bracket according to claim 2, wherein the means for securing the mailbox to the plate further comprises:

a flange on each of the long edges of the plate extending generally perpendicular

15 to the plate; and

at least one fastener securing the flange to a corresponding flange on the mailbox.

4. The bracket according to claim 3 wherein the fastener is a nut and a bolt.

20 5. The bracket according to claim 1 wherein the means for securing the post within the sleeve further comprises:

an aperture formed through the sleeve and the post; and
a bolt extending through the aperture, thereby securing the sleeve against
movement relative to the post.

- 5 6. The bracket according to claim 1 wherein the plate is provided with a plurality of
lightening holes.

7. A bracket for securing a mailbox to an upstanding post, the bracket comprising:
a rectangular plate having an upper surface and a lower surface and a pair of long edges, the upper surface of the plate being generally coextensive with and supporting a lower surface of the mailbox;

5 at least one flange on a long edge of the plate, the flange extending generally perpendicular to and downwardly from the lower surface of the plate;
at least one fastener for securing the flange to the mailbox;
a generally cylindrical sleeve secured to lower surface of the plate and extending downwardly therefrom, the sleeve adapted to receive a generally cylindrical post; and
10 a sleeve fastener for securing the post within the sleeve.

8. The bracket according to claim 7 wherein the sleeve fastener further comprises:
an aperture formed through the sleeve and the post; and
a bolt extending through the aperture, thereby securing the sleeve against
15 movement relative to the post.

9. The bracket according to claim 7 wherein the fastener is a nut and a bolt.

10. The bracket according to claim 7 wherein the plate is provided with a plurality of
20 lightening holes.

11. The bracket according to claim 7 wherein the flange extends from each long edge of the rectangular plate.

12. A bracket for securing a mailbox to an upstanding post, the bracket comprising:
a rectangular plate having an upper surface and a lower surface and a pair of long edges and a pair of short edges, the upper surface of the plate being generally coextensive with and supporting a lower surface of the mailbox;

5 a plurality of lightening holes formed in the plate
at flange extending along each long edge of the plate generally perpendicular to and downwardly from the lower surface of the plate;

at least one fastener for securing the flanges to corresponding flanges on the the mailbox;

10 a generally cylindrical sleeve secured to lower surface of the plate and extending downwardly therefrom, the sleeve adapted to receive a generally cylindrical post; and
a sleeve fastener for securing the post within the sleeve.

13. The bracket according to claim 12 wherein the sleeve fastener further comprises:

15 an aperture formed through the sleeve and the post; and

a bolt extending through the aperture, thereby securing the sleeve against movement relative to the post.

14. The bracket according to claim 12 wherein the fastener is a nut and a bolt.